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REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Military Information from the Jueterbog Area.

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EVALUATION [REDACTED]

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT 7 to 31 October 1953

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DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE PREPARED 26 November 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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SOURCE [REDACTED]

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1. Between 7 and 31 October 1953, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Damm appeared to be occupied to capacity, as all buildings were fully lighted after nightfall. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Between 7 and 31 October, intensive activity was observed in the installation. Troops observed mostly received basic training. Instruction on guns and driving practice with tanks was no longer observed after 10 October. On and after 12 October, about 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were repeatedly observed in the terrain receiving advanced infantry combat training. On 9 October, a column of 10 trucks, occupied by troops and towing 4 ZIS-3 field guns; and a field kitchen left the installation toward Rohrbeck. The gun barrels had a wide strip chalked on. Source did not observe the return of the vehicles.

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2. On 15 October, Camp Werder-Markendorf was vacant. The troops had allegedly left for Wittenberg. The woods north of Markendorf were no longer restricted.

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4. In the afternoon on 25 October, 14 four-wheel BA-64 armored scout cars and 7 sedan were loaded on 7 four-axle flatcars [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] were loaded on 4 two-axle flatcars at the Jueterbog railroad station near Brueckenstrasse. Troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia were seen in 9 converted boxcars. Another shipments of 6 converted boxcars and about 10 two-axle and four-axle flatcars, which were empty, was seen at the Jueterbog railroad station in the evening of the same day.

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5. On 29 October source determined that two trains, each of about 50 converted boxcars with stoves and 1 train of about 30 flatcars with sideracks had been sidetracked at the Jueterbog-Altes Lager railroad station for several weeks.
6. At about 10 p.m. on 29 October, a column of 12 to 15 YA-12 tractors, each towing a gun, presumably a 152-mm model M-1937 gun howitzer, passed through Beelitz, coming from the direction of Potsdam and proceeding toward Treuenbrietzen. 3

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1. Field Comment. The information cannot be confirmed by observations in Wittenberg.

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3. Field Comment. According to the direction of march, possibly a unit of the 34th Arty Div (US), which went from Potsdam to Jueterbog.

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